



Memorandum

To: Provost and Chief Academic Officers

From: Paula Compton, Associate Vice Chancellor, Articulation and Transfer

Date: November 4, 2022

Subject: Updates to the Biology Transfer Assurance Guide (TAG) Course Learning Outcomes Revisions

Background

The Ohio Articulation and Transfer Network (OATN) sent a request to the Biology Transfer Assurance Guide (TAG) faculty review panel lead and members to determine if revisions were needed for the following courses:

- **OSC003- Biology I (OSC024- Biology I & II Sequence)**
- **OSC004- Biology II (OSC024- Biology I & II Sequence)**

With the Biology TAG courses scheduled for learning outcome review, upon examination of current course learning outcomes it was recommended by the TAG review panel that several minor updates were required for each of the four courses.

Please share this memo and the attachment with appropriate faculty and administrators at your institution who manage/teach Biology TAG courses.

Outline of Revisions:

OSC003- Biology I (OSC024- Biology I & II Sequence)

- Revision to core concept II- #8: language clarification.
- Revision to core concept VII- #4c: moved to non-essential

OSC004- Biology II (OSC024- Biology I & II Sequence)

- Revision to core concept II- #6: removal of concept.
- Revision to core concept II- #7: structure update now including an “or” option. Select option 7a “or” 7b.
- Revision to core concept III- #3: inclusion of additional concept.

Please note: OSC028- Biology (Genetics) is a separate review panel that will review OSC028 learning outcomes for revisions during their next panel review cycle timeline.

Implications to Your Biology TAG Courses:

The spirit of the previous learning outcomes continues to be implemented however, with minor clarifications. With these updates the TAG panel recommends that institutions with courses already approved will not be required to resubmit for additional validation. The updated learning outcomes will be used for any new submissions beginning with the Spring 2023 TAG review cycle.

If you have any questions, please contact Jessi Spencer at jspencer@highered.ohio.gov or 614-728-4706, or Michelle Blaney at mblaney@highered.ohio.gov or 614-644-9601.

Attachments (1)